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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0216]

Agency Information Collection (Application for Accrued Amounts Due a Deceased

Beneficiary) Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through www.Regulations.gov, or to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attn: VA Desk Officer; 725 17th St. NW., Washington, DC 20503 or sent through electronic mail to oira_submission@omb.eop.gov. Please refer to

"OMB Control No. 2900–0216" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through the FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Crystal Rennie, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 632–7492 or email crystal.rennie@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900–0216" in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

<u>Title:</u> Application for Accrued Amounts Due a Deceased Beneficiary, VA Form 21P-601.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0216.

<u>Type of Review:</u> Revision of a currently approved collection.

<u>Abstract:</u> The information collected on VA Form 21-601 is use to determine a claimant's entitlement to accrued benefits that was due to a deceased Veteran but not paid prior to the Veteran's death. Each survivor claiming a share of the accrued benefits must complete a separate VA Form 21-601; however if there is no living survivors who are entitled on the basis of relationship, accrued benefits may be payable as reimbursement to the person or persons who bore the expenses of the Veteran's last illness and burial expenses.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published at 79 FR 48297, August 15, 2014.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 2,300 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 30 minutes.

| Frequency of Response: One time. | |
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| Estimated Number of Respondents: 4,600. | |
| Dated: January 9, 2015. | |
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| | Crystal Rennie, Department Clearance Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs. |
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